

Before we begin this tutorial let's visually compare a standard navigation bar and a web 2.0 navigation bar.

Standard Navigation Bar



Web 2.0 Navigation Bar

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Now the all-important question...

Which one would you rather have on your web site? The old-fashioned buttons? Or the totally dynamic navigation bar? That's exactly what I thought, so let's get started.

Web 2.0 Menus: Horizontal Navigation Bar with Current Page Navigation

WEB 2.0 MENUS: HORIZONTAL NAVIGATION BAR WITH CURRENT PAGE NAVIGATION

HTML Users

You can code this menu by modifying the steps in the Horizontal Nav Bar with Dynamic Background Image.pdf document.

To complete this tutorial, you will need the three .png images that you saved in the PortableApps\GIMP\buttons\images\gradient_menu\images folder:

btn gradient button.png

btn gradient hover button.png

btn_gradient_current_button.png

Rename these images to menu_new.png,

menu_new_current.png, and menu_new_hover.png

PHP USERS: CODING THE DYNAMIC NAVIGATION BAR

To code this menu in PHP with a dynamic <title> tag value and current page navigation, you will create three files:

inc_menu.php

index.php

menu.css

Place these three files in a dynamic menu folder.

Place the three button images (menu new.png,

menu_new_current.png, and menu_new_hover.png)in an images
folder inside the dynamic menu folder.

(You can rename these from the buttons tutorial).

inc_menu.php

Step 1: In a text editor, create a php include file named inc_menu.php with the following code. You will add additional code later.

<div id="menu">

<?php

echo

"

| | Home |
|----|--|
| | GIMP® |
| | Text |
| | Badges |
| | Icons |
| | Buttons |
| | Animation |
| | Banners |
| | Menus |
| | Design |
| | Common |
| "; | |

?>

</div>

menu.css

Step 1: In the text editor, create a stylesheet named menu.css to format the menu.

```
Author: Diana Kokoska
File: CSS styles to format inc menu.php
Date: 6/26/2011
#menu
      {
     margin: auto;
     width:800px;
      }
#menu ul
      {
      <!--removes the bullets -->
     list-style:none;
      }
#menu li
      {
      list-style:none;
      <!--puts a enter between each link -->
     display:block;
     float:left;
     margin:0 2px;
      }
#menu li a
      {
      display:block;
      font-family: "Arial Black";
```

```
float:left;
color:black;
font-variant: small-caps;
font-size:11px;
font-weight:bold;
text-decoration:none;
background:url(images/menu_new.png) repeat-x;
height:150px;
line-height:100px;
padding:0 12px;
}
#menu li a:hover
{
background:url(images/menu_new_hover.png) repeat-x;
}
```

index.php

Step 1: In a text editor, create index.php, which will require the
inc_menu.php file. Below the ending <title> tag, insert a link to the
menu.css cascading style sheet.

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0
Strict//EN"
```

"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">

```
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" lang="en" xml:lang="en">
```

<head>

<title>

```
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html;
charset=ISO-8859-1" />
</title>
<link href = "menu.css" rel = "stylesheet" type =
"text/css" />
</head>
<body>
<?php
require ("inc_menu.php");
?>
```

</body>

</html>

VIEWING THE FILES IN THE BROWSER

Step 1: Upload the dynamic_menu folder to the server and view in the browser.

The menu should display as shown below with a green bar displaying above the button over which the mouse is hovered.

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DISPLAYING A BLUE BAR ABOVE THE MENU FOR THE CURRENTLY DISPLAYED PAGE

Step 1: Modify the inc_menu.php file as shown below - the only change in
each code section is the class = 'current' that is in a different tag in
each case statement.

```
<div id="menu">
<?php
switch ($_GET['page']) {
     case 'web20':
     echo "
     <a href='index.php?page=web20' class='current'>Home</a>
          <a href='index.php?page=gimp'>GIMP&reg;</a>
          <a href='index.php?page=text effects'>Text</a>
          <a href='index.php?page=badges'>Badges</a>
          <a href='index.php?page=icons'>Icons</a>
          <a href='index.php?page=buttons'>Buttons</a>
          <a href='index.php?page=animation'>Animation</a>
          <a href='index.php?page=banners'>Banners</a>
          <a href='index.php?page=menus'>Menus</a>
          <a href = 'index.php?page=design'>Design</a>
          <a href = 'index.php?page=common'>Common</a>
     ":
```

break; case 'gimp': echo " Home GIMP® Text Badges Icons Buttons Animation Banners Menus Design

Common

";

break;

case 'text_effects':

```
echo "
```

```
<a href='index.php?page=web20'>Home</a><a href='index.php?page=gimp'>GIMP&reg;</a><a href='index.php?page=text_effects'</li><a href='index.php?page=badges'>Badges</a><a href='index.php?page=icons'>Icons</a><a href='index.php?page=buttons'>Buttons</a><a href='index.php?page=buttons'>Buttons</a><a href='index.php?page=banners'>Banners</a><a href='index.php?page=banners'>Banners</a><a href='index.php?page=menus'>Menus</a><a href='index.php?page=design'>Design</a>
```

```
<a href =
'index.php?page=common'>Common</a>
```

```
";
```

break;

case 'badges':

echo "

<a

```
href='index.php?page=web20'>Home</a>
```

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Text

<a href='index.php?page=badges'</p>

class='current'>Badges

Icons

Buttons

Animation

Banners

Menus

<a href =

'index.php?page=design'>Design

<a href =

'index.php?page=common'>Common

";

break;

case 'icons':

echo "

Home GIMP® Text Badges

<a href='index.php?page=icons'

class='current'>lcons

Buttons

Animation

Banners

Menus

<a href =

'index.php?page=design'>Design

<a href =

'index.php?page=common'>Common

";

break;

case 'buttons':

echo "

Home

GIMP®

Text

Badges

<a href='index.php?page=icons'

>lcons

<a href='index.php?page=buttons'

class='current'>Buttons

```
<a
```

href='index.php?page=animation'>Animation

Banners

Menus

<a href =

'index.php?page=design'>Design

<a href =

'index.php?page=common'>Common

";

break;

case 'animation':

echo "

Home

GIMP®

Text

Badges

<a href='index.php?page=icons'

>lcons

Buttons

<a href='index.php?page=animation'

class='current'>Animation

<a href='index.php?page=banners'

>Banners

Menus

<a href =

'index.php?page=design'>Design

<a href =

'index.php?page=common'>Common

";

break;

case 'animation':

echo "

Home

GIMP®

Text

Badges

<a href='index.php?page=icons'

>lcons

Buttons

Animation

<a href='index.php?page=banners'

class='current'>Banners

Menus

<a href =

```
'index.php?page=design'>Design</a>
```

<a href =

'index.php?page=common'>Common

";

break;

case 'menus':

echo "

Home

GIMP®

Text

Badges

<a href='index.php?page=icons'

>lcons

Buttons

Animation >Banners

<a href='index.php?page=menus'

class='current'>Menus

<a href =

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'index.php?page=design'>Design</a>
```

<a href =

'index.php?page=common'>Common

";

break;

case 'design':

echo "

Home

GIMP®

Text

Badges

<a href='index.php?page=icons'

>lcons

Buttons

Animation

<a href='index.php?page=banners'

>Banners

Menus

<a href = 'index.php?page=design'

class='current'>Design

<a href =

'index.php?page=common'>Common

";

break;

case 'common':

echo "

Home

GIMP®

Text

Badges

<a href='index.php?page=icons'

>lcons

href='index.php?page=buttons'>Buttons

Animation

<a href='index.php?page=banners'

>Banners

Menus

<a href = 'index.php?page=design'

>Design

<a href = 'index.php?page=common'

```
class='current'>Common</a>
```

";

break;

default:

echo "

<a href='index.php?page=web20'

class='current'>Home

GIMP®

Text

Badges

Icons

Buttons

```
<a
```

```
href='index.php?page=animation'>Animation</a>
```

```
<a href='index.php?page=banners'>Banners</a>
                   <a href='index.php?page=menus'>Menus</a>
                   <a href = 'index.php?page=design'>Design</a>
                   <a href =
'index.php?page=common'>Common</a>
              ";
    break;
    }
```

```
</div>
```

?>

Step 2: Upload the modified inc menu.php file to the server.

Step 3: Modify the menu.css file by adding the two style definitions below:

#menu li a.current

{ display:block; float:left; background:url(images/menu_new_current.png) repeat-x; color:black; font-variant: small-caps;

```
font-size:11px;
font-weight:bold;
text-decoration:none;
padding:0 14 px;
line-height:100px;
}
#menu li a:hover.current
{
color:black;
}
```

Step 4: Upload the modified menu.css to the server.

Step 5: View index.php in the browser and click on a button link and move the cursor to another link. The button on which you clicked should be displayed with a blue bar over it.

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ADDING A DYNAMIC VALUE TO THE <TITLE> TAG

Step 1: In the index.php file, add the following switch statement at the top of the document above the <title> tag.

<?php

```
switch ($_GET['page']) {
```

```
case 'web20':
```

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Home page";
```

break;

case 'gimp':

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Gimp";
```

break;

```
case 'text_effects':
```

\$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Text Effects";

break;

```
case 'badges':
```

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Badges";
```

break;

```
case 'icons':
```

```
$title= "CIS251 Web 2.0 Icons";
```

break;

```
case 'buttons':
```

\$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Buttons";

break;

case 'banners':

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Banners";
```

break;

```
case 'common':
```

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Common Tasks";
```

break;

```
case 'animation':
```

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Animation";
```

break;

```
case 'design':
```

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Page Design";
```

break;

case 'menus':

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Menus";
```

break;

default:

```
$title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Home Page";
```

}

?>

Step 2: Add the following line of php code between the opening and closing <title> tags:

<title>

```
<?php echo $title ?>
```

<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1" />

</title>

Step 3: Upload the modified index.php file to the server.

CREATING A TEST PAGE

Step 1: In the text editor create a buttons page named inc_buttons.php with the following content:

This is the buttons page.

Step 2: Upload the inc buttons.php page to the server.

Step 3: Open index.php and add the following code below the require statement above the ending ?> php tag.

```
require("inc_menu.php");
switch ($_GET['page']) {
    case 'web20':
        include "inc_web20.php";
    $title = "CIS251 Web 2.0 Home page";
    break;
    case 'gimp':
        include "inc_gimp.php";
    break;
    case 'text_effects':
        include "inc_text_effects.php";
    break;
    case 'badges':
```

```
include "inc badges.php";
break;
case 'icons':
    include "inc icons.php";
break;
case 'buttons':
    include "inc_buttons.php";
break;
case 'banners':
    include "inc banners.php";
break;
case 'common':
    include "inc common.php";
break;
case 'animation':
    include "inc animation.php";
break;
case 'menus':
     include "inc_menus.php";
break;
case 'design':
    include "inc design.php";
break;
```

```
default:
    include "inc_web20.php";
}
```

Step 4: Upload the modified index.php file to the server.

Step 5: Click on the Buttons tab on the navigation bar. The content "This is the buttons page" displays in the body and the tab navigation displays "CIS251 Web 2.0 Buttons".

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